

EDNA LAWTON DIES IN SAVANNAH HOSPITAL

Sister of Local Woman Passes Away After Beautiful and Useful Life

Her many friends here were shocked last week to hear of the death of Miss Edna Lawton, of Beaufort, a sister of Mrs. R. H. Gibson, of this place. Miss Lawton had many friends here, and her death is universally mourned.

She died in the Telfair hospital at Savannah, where she had gone a few days before for medical treatment. She had spent most of her life in Beaufort, and was loved by all who knew her in that community.

Edna Earl Lawton was born December 27th, 1883, at Rose Mount, Screven county, Georgia.

The family moved to Beaufort early in her life and immediately became a vital part of the life of the old town, which was the birthplace and home of her mother Adelaide E. Reynolds.

Finishing at Beaufort high school, Miss Lawton later took a course in Savannah at the Richmond Business college, accepting from there a position with Reppard Schnedker & Co.

She later held several other positions, and was with the office of Spears and Want, attorneys, at Darlington, where she was when the illness came upon her that finally caused her death.

Her death causes the first break in the group of sisters.

Those surviving in her immediate family are: her mother Mrs. Judson Lawton, of Beaufort, and five sisters, namely: Mrs. J. H. Haynesworth, of Savannah, Ga., Miss Minna Lawton, Savannah, Ga., Miss Florence Lawton of Bennettsville, Mrs. R. H. Gibson, Hampton, and Miss Estelle Lawton, of Beaufort, and two brothers-in-law, Capt. J. H. Haynesworth, and Mr. R. H. Gibson.

The remains were taken to Beaufort last Saturday afternoon. The funeral services were preached at the Charles Street Baptist church, the Rev. C. H. Mount being in charge of the services. The interment was in the family lot in the church yard.

The pallbearers were: William Kinghorn, Niels Christensen, Joseph Walpole, R. V. Bray, Jr., William Roberts and Rivers Varn.

Gen. Lawton Led Units in Seizure of Historic Fort

BY W. E. JACKSON

Another man well known to Savannah and who had part in the history of Fort Pulaski was Gen. A. R. Lawton. General Lawton was born November 4, 1818 in St. Peters parish, Beaufort district, S. C. He later lived and went to school in Savannah. In July, 1835, he entered West Point Military Institute and in 1839 graduated as a lieutenant of the First Artillery Regiment. Disliking a military life he resigned his appointment in 1841 and entered Harvard Law School. After 1843 he practiced law in Savannah, and was elected president of the Augusta and Savannah Railroad. In 1855-56, he served as representative in the state Legislature. By 1860, he was a state senator and took an active part in the secession movement.

After the people of Savannah had thoroughly discussed and considered the seizure of Port Pulaski, and after a final conference with Governor Brown, Colonel Lawton then commanding the First Regiment of Georgia was ordered by Governor Brown, on January 2, 1861, to take possession of the fort. The next day, Colonel Lawton took possession of the fort with the following forces: detachments from the Chatham Artillery, Captain Claghorn; the Savannah Volunteer Guards, Captain Screven, and the Oglethorpe Light Infantry, Captain Bartow.

Colonel Lawton became a brigadier general and was in charge of the military district of Savannah. He began to organize forces for the defense of the coast. In February, 1862, when General Lee was ordered to Richmond, General Lawton succeeded to the command of the military district of Georgia.

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Read the Talmadge ad on Page 37 to learn the truth about M. E. Thompson.

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She left no
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**Mrs. St. John Alison
President General of**

SUMMERVILLE, Jan. 11 (Special) —Mrs. Ruth Jennings Lawton, a former president general of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, died here today. She was the widow of St. John Alison Lawton of Lawton Plantation, James Island.

Funeral services will take place at 11 a. m. Tuesday at St. James Protestant Episcopal Church, James Island. The Rev. Walter D. Roberts and the Rev. Edward B. Guerry will officite. Burial, directed by Parks Funeral Home, will be in the churchyard.

Mrs. Lawton served as president general of UDC from 1925 through 1927. She also was a historian general of the organization in 1922.

In addition, she served as president of two UDC Divisions, that of Virginia, her birthplace, and of South Carolina.

She was born April 7, 1872, in Lynchburg, Va., a daughter of Tipton David Jennings and Mrs. Anne Seay Jennings. Following her marriage to Mr. Lawton, an engineer and plantation owner, she lived in Charleston at 43 South Battery and later at the Lawton Plantation on James Island. Since Mr. Lawton's death in 1947, she made her home at the Squirrel Inn here. She was a member of St. Paul's Protestant Episcopal Church here.

She was known throughout the UDC organization for her work in its historical department. In 1935 she was honored by the UDC by being named one of a committee of two to select the first project for a Jefferson Davis Historical Foundation, which she had helped establish. She donated the Hyde-Campbell Essay Cup to be awarded by the UDC.

Surviving are two nieces, Mrs. Leslie R. Dyer of Virginia Beach, Va., and Mrs. Joseph C. Gilbert of Sumter.

MRS. GUILIELMA LAWTON READ DIES

**Was Well Known and Was Popular
With Many Friends.**

The death early this morning of Mrs. Guilielma Lawton Read, wife of Abram C. Read, removes a widely loved Savannahian, who spent her entire life here and claimed a vast host of friends who grieve for her.

Mrs. Read was the daughter of Dr. William S. Lawton and Mrs. Elizabeth Jones Lawton. The latter was the daughter of the well-known Georgian, Seaborn Jones. She was also the niece of the late Gen. Alexander R. Lawton. During her youth she lived in the old Lawton home on Lafayette Square, which was one of the social centers of the community, well known for its representative gatherings. She claimed an unusually large circle of friends whose devotion increased during the latter years of her life when her long illness was a source of grief to so many.

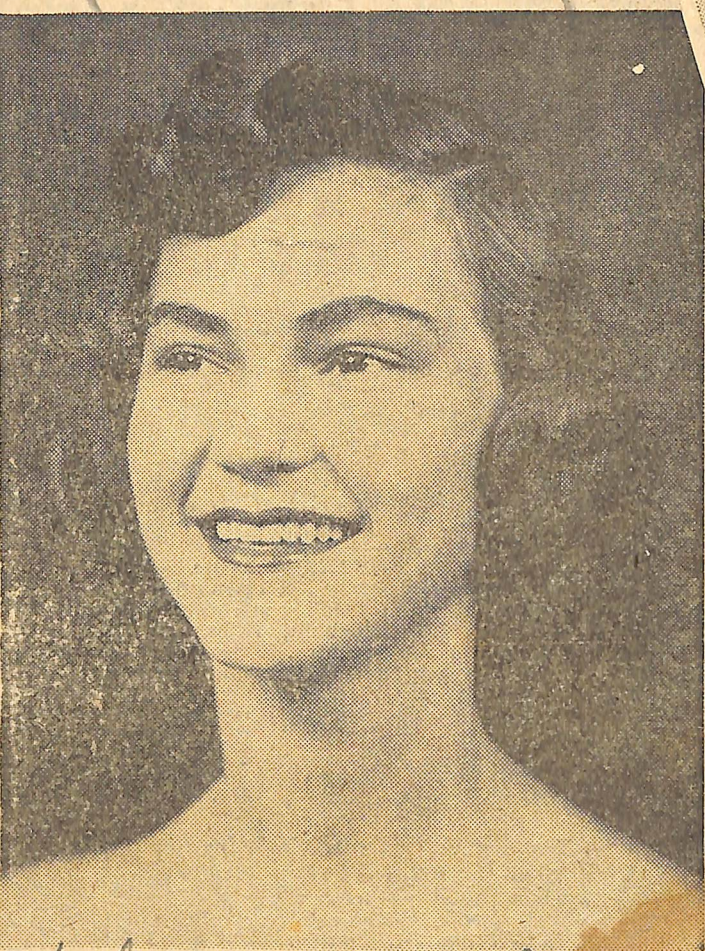
Always cheerful and possessing a lovable and charming personality, she was especially admired for her cheerful spirit and fortitude during her illness. A communicant of Christ Church, she was a devoted and active member. She possessed a beautiful Christian nature.

Mrs. Read is survived by her husband, Aaron C. Read; one daughter, Miss Anne Read, and one sister, Mrs. Emily Lawton Garrard.

The funeral will take place tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock from the residence, 118 East Thirty-fifth street, with private interment in the Lawton-Jones vault at Laurel Grove Cemetery. Rev. David Cady Wright, rector of Christ Church, will conduct the services.

The active pallbearers will be Charles Ellis, Wymberley W. DeRenne, T. Mayhew Cunningham, Jr., George E. Cope, Charlton M. Theus and Frank S. Mackall.

The honorary pallbearers will be J. Randolph Anderson, W. W. Mackall, P. A. Stovall, J. Florence Minis, C. T. Airey and W. D. Judkins.



EMMA ANN LAWTON

April 4 1955—
Mr. and Mrs. Edward Mannor Lawton of Myrtle Beach announce the engagement of their daughter, Emma Ann, and James Carson Benton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Casper L. Benton. The wedding will take place June 5 at the First Baptist Church of Myrtle Beach.

Fairfax Man Wins Legion of Merit In Guam Assault

Fairfax— (Special) —Maj. Crawford B. Lawton, USMC, son of Dr. and Mrs. F. A. Lawton of Fairfax who recently returned to his base in the Pacific theater after spending a 30-day leave with his family has received the Legion of Merit for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of duty while serving first as executive officer and later as commanding officer of a landing team during the assault of Guam and throughout the ensuing operations."

The citation, signed by Lt. Gen. H. A. Smith, USMC, reads:

"Major Lawton was largely instrumental in supervising and coordinating the left landing team in a difficult left turn, immediately upon landing and against heavy and accurate enemy fire. At all times throughout the operations he was in front lines exposing himself to enemy fire and inspiring the officers and men of his command by his conspicuous gallantry. His grasp of a situation and his resulting sound decision contributed to the success of his landing team.

"On July 24, 1944, after the 16 officers of two assault infantry companies had become casualties, he assumed command, re-organized the depleted companies into one attack group and continued the assault against strongly resisting forces. Later when organized resistance had ceased on Guam, he ably commanded his battalion in securing and patrolling the southern portion of Guam. His exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services materially aided the success of the operations on Guam and was in keeping with the highest tradition of the United States Marine corps."

A graduate of Clemson college, Major Lawton has three brothers in service in the army, Lt. Col. E. G. Lawton, Lt. Col. W. A. Lawton, overseas, and Capt. F. A. Lawton, Fort Dix, N. J.

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DR. FRANCIS A. LAWTON

ESTILL, Jan. 19 (Special)— Funeral services for Dr. Francis Asbury Lawton will be held at the Estill Methodist Church at 11 a. m. Tuesday with the Rev. Joe Sowell, the Rev. J. T. Sanders and the Rev. Joseph Kovach officiating. Interment will follow in Lawtonville Cemetery, under the direction of Peoples Funeral Service of Hampton.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Tressa Stokes Lawton of Estill; four sons, W. A. Lawton of Estill, F. A. Lawton Jr. of Greensboro, N. C., Lt. Col. E. G. Lawton of Arlington, Va, and Lt. Col. C. B. Lawton of Quantico, Va.; one brother, T. O. Lawton of Barton; two sisters, Mrs. E. L. Tonge of Spartanburg and Mrs. O. T. McIntosh of Savannah, and 12 grandchildren.

BOBBY JOE FENNELL

FAIRFAX, Jan. 19 (Special) — Bobby Joe Fennell, 20, son of Mr. [illegible] of Fairfax

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COLUMBIA, S. C., TUES

James M. Lawton

**Garnet Native, 44, Dies
In a Vidalia Hospital;
Rites Held in Georgia**

SOPERTON, Ga., Dec. 21—Funeral services for James M. Lawton, 44, native of Garnet, S. C., who died Saturday night in a Vidalia hospital after an illness of one day, were conducted from the Soperton Methodist Church Sunday by the Rev. Ernest Seckinger. Interment was in Westview Cemetery, Soperton.

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Mr. Lawton was born and reared in Garnet, the son of Thomas O. Lawton and Nadine White Lawton. He was owner-operator of the Soperton News, a steward of the Methodist Church. A graduate of Estill, S. C., High School, he attended Clemson College. He was also a pulpwood dealer.

Survivors include his widow, the former Hayes Fowler; two sons, Jimmy and Tom Lawton; three daughters, Nan, Justine and Frances Lawton of Soperton; one brother, Col. Thomas O. Lawton of Wright-Patterson Field, Dayton, Ohio; one sister, Mrs. Stiles M. Harper of Estill and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas O. Lawton of Bluffton, S. C.

MRS. JANE LAWTON BOSTICK

BEAUFORT, Feb. 24 (Special)—

Mrs. Jane Lawton Bostick, 82, daughter of the late Benjamin T. and Eliza G. Lawton, died Monday in Beaufort Hospital after an extended illness.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday at noon in Black Swamp Methodist Church near Garnett. The Rev. Richard L. Johnson and the Rev. Mr. Ritter will officiate.

Survivors include a sister, Mrs. Maude B. Allen of Luray; five sons, Benjamin Bostick of Beaufort, the Rev. Edward Bostick of Richmond, Maner L. Bostick of Beaufort; Joseph A. Bostick of Augusta and Decatur R. Bostick of Marion; five daughters, Mrs. William R. LaRoche of Charleston, Mrs. Edward H. Hoge of Mt. Berry, Ga., Mrs. James O. Gamble of Greeleyville, Mrs. Weldon Rogers of St. Louis and Miss Eliza Bostick of Beaufort; a niece; 23 grandchildren and a number of great grandchildren.

Ernest A. Rhodes

FOLLY BEACH, S.C. — Ernest Augustus Rhodes, 63, died Monday at a Columbia, S.C., hospital after a long illness.

The Estill, S.C., native was an Army veteran of World War II, a graduate of The Citadel and a member of Folly Beach United Methodist Church. He was retired from the Charleston Naval Shipyard where he was supervisor of electronics module maintenance.

Surviving are two brothers, G. Edward Rhodes of Charleston and Claude L. Rhodes of Columbia.

Funeral: 2:30 p.m. Wednesday at Stuhr's Downtown Chapel in Charleston, burial in Carolina Memorial Gardens in Charleston.

Remembrances: Folly Beach United Methodist Church.

Ernest A. Rhodes, shipyard retiree

FOLLY BEACH

Ernest Augustus Rhodes, 63, died Monday.

Born in Estill, he was a son of the late George and Emmie L'Artigue Fishburne Rhodes. He was a graduate of the Citadel, a World War II Army veteran and a member of Folly Beach United Methodist Church. He was a retired supervisor of the electronics module maintenance facility at Charleston Naval Shipyard.

Surviving are brothers, G. Edward Rhodes of Charleston and Claude L. Rhodes of Columbia.

Services will be held at 2:30 p.m. Wednesday at Stuhr's Funeral Home, Downtown Chapel, Charleston, with burial in Carolina Memorial Gardens.

Memorials may be made to Folly Beach United Methodist Church.

Deaths and Funerals

ERNEST A. RHODES

Ernest Augustus Rhodes, of 110 West Huron Ave., Folly Beach, a retired supervisor at the Charleston Naval Shipyard, died Monday in a Columbia hospital.

The funeral will be at 2:30 p.m. Wednesday in Stuhr's Downtown Chapel. Burial will be in Carolina Memorial Gardens.

Mr. Rhodes was born June 12, 1921, in Estill, a son of George Rhodes and Emmie L'Artigue Fishburne Rhodes. He attended The Citadel and was a member of Folly Beach United Methodist Church. He was an Army veteran of World War II.

Surviving are two brothers, G. Edward Rhodes of Charleston and Claude L. Rhodes of Columbia.

M/SGT. TILDEN H. McGBREW Jr.

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CHARLES L. CHISHOLM

ESTILL — Charles Laughlin Chisholm died Saturday in Clinton.

The funeral will be at 3 p.m. today in Lawtonville Cemetery, near Estill. Burial will be directed by Peeples-Rhoden Funeral Home, Estill Chapel.

Mr. Chisholm was born Jan. 23, 1922, in Estill, a son of Milton M. Chisholm and Rubye Peeples Chisholm.

Surviving are two sisters, Mrs. Brady L. Lineberger of Columbia and Mrs. Raymond F. Grenfell of Jack-

**Herbert Lee Lawton,
Grahamville, S. C.**

RIDGELAND, S. C., Sept. 1-
Herbert Lee Lawton, 74, died today at his home in Grahamville near Ridgeland after a long illness.

Funeral services will be held Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock at Ridgeland Baptist Church by the Rev. G. H. Mason. Burial will be at the Lawtonville Cemetery in Estill.

Lawton was born Aug. 6, 1888 in Hampton County, son of the late Thomas O. Lawton and Mary Willingham Lawton. He operated a sawmill at Lena for thirty years. After retiring, he made his home at Grahamville. He was a member of the Ridgeland Baptist Church.

Survivors are five sons, Herbert Lee Lawton Jr., Georgetown; Royce Lawton, Estill; Walker Lawton, Valdosta; Thomas Lawton, and DeLacey Lawton, Ridgeland; one brother, F. A. Lawton, Greenville; three sisters, Mrs. W. S. Lindsey, Columbia; Mrs. K. E. Neely, Spartanburg; Mrs. Hugh E. Vincen, Varnville; nine grandchildren.

Pallbearers will be Dr. C. P. Ryan, Dr. J. O. Ryan, John McKenzie, Lee Murphy, W. J. Ellis, D. N. Rivers, Lloyd Nettles, Lamar Bradley, Willard Mears.

Ridgeland Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

GEN. LAWTON LED UNITS IN SEIZURE

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even Pines, General Lawton was ordered to prepare 5,000 men to move to Richmond on shortest notice. His telegraphic reply was, "My men are ready to march at once and I earnestly request that I be ordered to Virginia with them." His request was granted. His brigade consisted of the 3th, 26th, 31st, 38th, 60th and 61st Georgia regiments, numbering 5,700 men. They were transported as fast as railroad facilities permitted.

Upon his arrival at Petersburg, General Lawton was ordered to re-

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port with his command to Gen. Stonewall Jackson, in the valley and reached him just in time to move rapidly to the attack upon General McClellan's flank at Cold Harbor on June 27 which resulted in the complete rout of the federal army concentrated for the capture of the Confederate capital.

This brigade was commanded by General Lawton in person in the battle of Cold Harbor, Malvern Hill, Cedar Mountain, and on the first day of the second Manassas. On that day General Ewell lost his leg and General Lawton was ordered to the command of his division and led it into action on the second and third days of the second Manassas. He continued in command of this division at the battle of Chantilly, at the capture of Harper's Ferry, and at Sharpsburg where he was borne from the field seriously wounded and disabled until May, 1863. In August, 1863, against his protests and desire for active field service, he was appointed quartermaster-general of the Confederacy and capably served in this important position until the end of the war.

After the war, General Lawton practiced law in Savannah and in 1884 was elected president of the American Bar Association. He continued to rise in esteem among his fellow men, and in 1887 was appointed by President Cleveland as minister to Austria and served there until 1889. He returned to Savannah where he lived until his death July 2, 1896.

HERBERT LEE LAWTON

RIDGELAND, Sept. 1 (Special)

— Herbert Lee Lawton, 74, died today at his home in Grahamville near here after a long illness.

Funeral services will be held Thursday at 3 p. m. at Ridgeland Baptist Church with the Rev. Gaines H. Mason officiating. Burial will be in Lawtonville Cemetery at Estill.

He was born Aug. 6, 1880, in

Hampton County, son of the late Thomas O. and Mary Willingham Lawton. He operated a sawmill at Lena for 30 years. After retiring he made his home at Grahamville. He was a member of Ridgeland Baptist Church.

Surviving are five sons, Herbert Lee Lawton of Georgetown, Boyce Lawton of Estill, Walker Lawton of Valdosta, Ga., and Thomas Lawton and DeLacy Lawton of Ridgeland; a brother, F. A. Lawton of Greenville; three sisters, Mrs. W. S. Lindsey of Columbia, Mrs. K. E. Neely of Spartanburg and Mrs. Hugh E. Vincent of Varnville, and nine grandchildren.

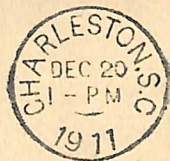
Friends may call at Ridgeland Funeral Home until the hour of services.

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Church. . . Per. W. A. Lantier
Died Feb. 28, 1879 Pastor
of this Church 27 years
erected by Church

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After 5 days, return to
THE HUGUENOT SOCIETY
OF SOUTH CAROLINA,
CHARLESTON, S. C.



Miss Florence S. Lawton

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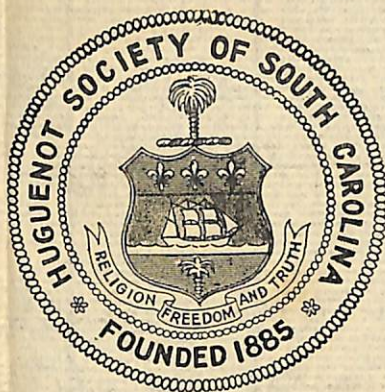
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Rev. ROBT. WILSON, D. D.,
President.

M. de LISLE HAIG, Dr J. B. Chisolm
Secty. & Treas.
26 Broad St



181 Queen St

Charleston, S. C., 19th Dec. 1901

Miss Florence J. Lawton;

Dear Madam;

Dr Vedder has referred to me your letter of 16th inst. The Society has no connection or relation with the Church of which he is Pastor, being entirely Historical in its objects, though we have a very delightful social re-union on the occasion of our Anniversary meeting in April. We have many descendants of Rev. Pierre Robert in our membership, of whom Mrs Lawton is one. It is true that the election of members is by the Society which meets on 13th of April, but that is only a formality, as membership begins practically on my approval of the application which may be sent in at any time. I am therefore enclosing a blank which you may fill in and return to the Secretary at any time prior to 13th April. If you will write to him, mentioning that I have asked you to do so he will send you a Specimen copy of our Transactions from which you can obtain all requisite information.

Mrs Robert Miles is the wife of Dr J. Allen Miles, 69 Hasell St Charleston. Mr Edward W. Durant Jr, 177 Broad St is also a

Miles. Either of them might give you information concerning the family.

I am much interested to know that you have the Robert Coat of Arms. I should be greatly obliged if you would send me the blazon or a pen sketch, however rough, of the Arms. I hope at some time to prepare for our Transactions a paper upon the Arms of our Huguenot settlers.

Respectfully

Robert Wilson

Pres. Huguenot Soc. of S. C.

Lafayette McLaws Camp No. 596,

U. C. V.

This is to Certify,

That Veteran..... Judson Lawton
is a member in good standing of LAFAYETTE McLAWS
CAMP No. 596, U. C. V.; he having paid his dues for the
year 1900

C. J. Chesnut
COMMANDER

A. K. Wilson
ADJUTANT.

Georgia Division U.C. V.
Savannah Ga 1900

Mrs Sarah L. L. L.
born 1755-
Feb 6 -
age 84 yrs

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George L. L. L.

HAMPSON, S. C.

AGENTS

ANDERSON & GIBSON

Sacred to the
memory of
Joseph Lartin
who died ⁸ 1754
on Black Swamp
S.C. Mar. 1815-

Aged 61 yrs
He lived & died a
pious Christian &
good citizen

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RETURN IN FIVE DAYS:

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HAMPTON, S. C.

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Sacred
To the memory of
Benj. F. Lantier who
died in Albany. Baker
County Ga.
(where his remains are de-
posited)
on the 18th Apr. 1846
age 63 yrs 3 mos 26 days
Most of the latter years of
his life were spent in this
community, and for
many years he was a
deacon of Baptist Church
here.
This monument is erected
by his children as a

token of their affection

his wife

I record to the memory
of Mrs Jane Sartons
Consort of B. F. W. Sar-
ton. who died May
23-1887 aged 74 yrs.

From

Mr Dandridge Spotswood

I will write more

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Lawton

Mrs & Mrs George P. (Jeanne La
throp) Cal. Cw. Soc.
Rv. Gar. Dr. Ed. H.
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Mrs Daniel Lawton, Cal. Cw.
Soc. Rv. W. '09.
Phone No. 3300. Plaza
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Mrs H. Sheldon Lawton ^{or}
(Harriet Sheldon Lawton)
Misses Sarah Douglas, and
Katherine Whitney Lawton
Juniors ^{misses} Elizabeth M. and
Harriet S. Lawton
Phone No. 193-89. Post Rd
Rye, N Y.

Mr & Mrs Henry D.
(Margaret G. Smith)
U. V. S.T.O. 94.
Phone No. 8818, Chas. 31-
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Mr & Mrs Richard M^{*} Lawton
(Edith L. Clarke) Mit. 03.
Phone No - 3716. 817-
Hillside Ave, Plainfield N.J.

Mr & Mrs Sydney A. Lawton
(Wife - Margaret - N. David
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Phone No. 353. Sound Beach
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LAW PARTNERS—Alexander R. Lawton, top, and George O'Donnell, who will continue the general practice of law as partners under the firm name of Lawton and Cunningham.

George O'Donnell Becomes Partner Of A. R. Lawton

George O'Donnell has become a partner in the law firm of Lawton and Cunningham. He will be associated with Alexander R. Lawton, senior member of the firm.

Mr. O'Donnell succeeded to the partnership following the death of T. Mayhew Cunningham.

Both Mr. Lawton and Mr. O'Donnell have been members of the firm for many years. Mr. Lawton is general counsel for the Central of Georgia Railway and Mr. O'Donnell is solicitor.

Julian C. Sipple, John B. Miller and Luhr G. C. Beckmann Jr., will be associated with the firm as they have been in the past.

MAJ. E. P. LAWTON, EX-ARMY OFFICER, IS DEAD IN PARIS

NATIVE OF SAVANNAH,
HAD SEEN SERVICE IN
SEVERAL WARS

A cable was received in Savannah this morning telling of the death of Maj. Edward Percival Lawton at the American Hospital in Paris.

He sailed from Savannah a few weeks ago, going direct to Germany. He had been in bad health for some time, but the news of his death was a great shock to his family and friends. He really expected to take the cure in Germany, but probably warned by increasing illness after his arrival in Europe, he proceeded to Paris. Major Lawton resided in Porto Rico and in Savannah. He has a fine farm in the islands.

Native of Savannah.

Edward Percival Lawton was born in Savannah February 2, 1863. He was the only son of the late Dr. William S. and Mrs. Elizabeth Jones Lawton. He was educated at private schools, and entering West Point he was graduated from the United States Military Academy in 1885. He entered the military service as second lieutenant in the Thirteenth Infantry. He became first lieutenant in 1892 and captain in 1899. He retired from the army as major of infantry in 1908 on account of ill health contracted in a campaign against the Indians in the Far West.

War With Spain.

Major Lawton served in the Spanish American War, having been actively engaged in the Porto Rico campaign. In the Philippine insurrection he commanded a column at the Battle of Bud Dajo, which resulted in the destruction of the last Moro stronghold.

To Switzerland.

Major Lawton was appointed military attache to Switzerland in 1914, serving during the first year of the World War. He was active in relief work, and had charge of transporting Americans, who at that time had crowded into Switzerland, to France and England, where they took ship for home. Major Lawton was prominent in military and social circles in Berne.

His Family.

He married Mary Leslie Basinger, daughter of Major W. S. Basinger of Savannah. He is survived by his wife, two sons, Edward P. Jr., and American vice-consul at Cairo, and William, American vice-consul at Santo Domingo; four daughters, Mrs. William Gartard, Jr. of Savannah, Mrs. William Howard Read of Charleston, Miss Emily L. and Genevieve Lawton. His two surviving sisters are Mrs. William Gartard and Mrs. A. C. Read of this city.

Mr. Lawton was an active man who had given his best years to the service of his country. He was devoted to his military duties and did not shirk exacting physical service. In Switzerland he would take long walks to meet Americans who were held up in different parts of the country, striving to allay their fears during the World War.

Dies In Paris Hospital



MAJ. EDWARD P. LAWTON, U. S. A., RETIRED

SAYS RADIO PLANT COMMUNITY ASSET

BORTON, PRESIDENT OF
WQAM AT MIAMI, IS
VISITOR

The value of a broadcasting station to any community from a standpoint of advertising is stressed by F. W. Borton, president of the Miami Broadcasting Co., who today conferred with Chamber of Commerce officials with the view to having Savannah join with Miami, Gainesville and St. Petersburg in a movement to have the four stations taken into the Columbia system.

HEFLIN PROMISES AID MRS. OLSEN

EFFORT BE MADE HAVE
DEPORTED HUSBAND AD-
MITTED TO COUNTRY

Mrs. E. G. Olsen of 18 Price street, whose husband was deported to Prosgund, Norway, and according to the present immigration laws will never be able to return to the shores of the United States, has received a letter from her husband.

Received Cable.

In the letter Mr. Olsen acknowledges receipt of the cablegram advising him not to return without further notice. Mrs. Olsen expressed her appreciation.

RAILROAD VALUATION HAVE LITTLE BEARING UPON RAIL. RATES

T. MAYHEW CUNNINGHAM
OF CENTRAL DISCUSS
YESTERDAY'S FINANCIAL

There was much interest in the road and shipping circles here yesterday in the report of the finding of the court of the United States in the case of the St. Louis and O'Fallon railroad. In this case the methods used by the Commerce Commission in valuing the St. Louis and O'Fallon railroad, 9 miles in length, were upheld by the court and the decision of the lower court reversed.

Decision reviewed.

The decision which has been much commented upon in Savannah, was discussed yesterday by T. Mayhew Cunningham, vice president and general manager of the Central of Georgia. He said the decision would have very little bearing upon rates.

"The government will have to go back and recompute the rates. In reproduction, this will be an expense to the government and will have an effect upon the rates of a theoretical value," Cunningham declared.

"Rates are fixed upon the basis of the traffic which will bear and the condition, more than the cost of the carrier, he declared.

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Mr. Cunningham stated that the case was of interest to all the railroads because the commission was placed upon the valuation of railroads upon a basis of ten and eleven years' earnings and not upon present earnings. Everything is taken into consideration in valuation, from the cost of the property to the largest item of expense.

The earning power, the fixed by the commission, a railroad earns above the cost of the earnings, a stated figure goes to the railroad, and 50 per cent. of the earnings goes to the railroad.

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In speaking of the interest in the case, Mr. Cunningham said that the most important thing is that the railroad is not to be taken over by the government.

MISS EDNA LAWTON DIES AT SAVANNAH

**Popular Young Beaufort Woman
Succumbed Last Week**

The whole community was shocked and saddened, when the news reached Beaufort on the morning of June 20th that death had claimed Miss Edna Earl Lawton.

Miss Lawton had gone to Savannah for medical treatment at Telfair hospital and encouraging news had reached the family of her improvement, when suddenly she took a turn for the worst, and within a few hours had passed away.

Practically spending her whole life in Beaufort where she had many to love and admire her strength of character and lovely personality, and where she leaves a profound impression of a life well spent, doing for others, the pride of her family, and the loyal friend to many whom she loved.

Edna Earl Lawton was born December 27th, 1883, at Rose Mount, Screven County, Georgia.

The family moved to Beaufort early in her life and immediately became a vital part of the life of the old town, which was the birth place and home of her mother Adelaide E. Reynolds.

Finishing at Beaufort High School Miss Lawton later took a course in Savannah at the Richmond Business College, accepting from there a position with Reppard Schnedker & Co.

When she was offered work in Beaufort with R. A. Long's Telephone Exchange, she accepted, and making her home with her sister Mrs. J. H. Haynsworth, she became the first girl who had a public position in the history of the town, a unique and difficult job, which she filled with the dignity and courtesy of her gentle breeding, making of what might have been a tiresome position, one of interest and satisfaction to all concerned, many remembering still, with keen appreciation her many kindly acts of accommodation, and kindness. Much regret was therefore expressed when after many years of such useful service she entered the office of Mr. W. J. Thomas, where she soon became identified with the town's best interest.

Miss Lawton's business ability was marked and through her own efforts she was enabled to invest her savings in property which was to become a home for her parents and sisters.

It was a matter of deep concern to all who appreciated the indomitable courage and spirit of this young business woman when the news was heard that she would leave Beaufort to enter business elsewhere namely: at the Cotton News of St. Matthews, S. C. While there she was offered a better position with Mr. W. B. West, Business Manager, at Coker College, and lastly she became connected with Messrs. Spears & Want, Attorneys, at Darlington, S. C. It was while with this firm her health failed. All that medical aid could accomplish was done to help her, and it was hoped that she would be restored to health and allowed to live to be still a useful member of God's earthly family, but He in his infinite wisdom and love has willed otherwise and her labors of love on earth are over, and she is now with those she has "Loved and Lost" in her Father's House on High. What more could be said of her than that she was a true Christian, a loyal lovely friend and daughter whom "whatever her hands found to do, was done with all her might."

The sympathy of the whole of Beaufort goes out to her bereaved and sorrowing family. The first break in the group of sisters, who were so near and dear to each other and to her sweet and gentle mother.

Those surviving in her immediate family are: her mother Mrs. Judson L. Lawton, of Beaufort, S. C., and five sisters, namely: Mrs. J. H. Haynsworth, Savannah, Ga., Miss Minna Lawton, Savannah, Ga., Miss Florence Lawton, of Bennettsville, S. C., Mrs. R. H. Gibson, of Hampton, S. C., and Miss Estelle Lawton, of Beaufort, S. C., and two brothers-in-law, Capt. J. H. Haynsworth, and Mr. R. H. Gibson.

The remains were brought to Beaufort Saturday afternoon. The services were preached at the Street Baptist Church, the pastor being in charge of the interment was in the Charles Street Baptist

The following were; William Kinghorn, J. H. Haynsworth, Joseph Walpole, R. V. B. Williams, William Roberts and Rivers.



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